

## ***Amendments to the Specification***

Please replace the section beginning on page 1 of the Specification entitled **"RELATED APPLICATIONS"** with the following section.

### **RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/209,644, filed June 5, 2000, and entitled "Low-Overhead Hierarchical-Caching-Object Storage Toolkit." This application is also related to U.S. patent number 6,745,189, issued June 1, 2004, and entitled "System and Method for Enabling Multi-Indexing of Objects;" co-pending U.S. patent application serial number 09/750,315, filed December 29, 2000, and entitled "System and Method for Searching Extended Regular Expressions;" co-pending U.S. patent application serial number 09/750,317, filed December 29, 2000, and entitled "System and Method for Enabling Statistical Matching;" U.S. patent number 6,611,837 ~~6,611,387~~, issued August 26, 2003, and entitled "System and Method for Managing Hierarchical Objects;" co-pending U.S. patent application serial number 09/750,319, filed December 29, 2000, and entitled "System and Method for Storing Conceptual Information;" U.S. patent number 6,836,776, issued December 28, 2004, and entitled "System and Method for Managing Hierarchical Objects;" and U.S. patent number 6,823,328, issued November 23, 2004, and entitled "System and Method for Enabling Unified Access to Multiple Types of Data." Each of the applications identified above is herein incorporated by reference.